



## Senate

General Assembly

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**File No. 143**

Senate Bill No. 316

*Senate, March 26, 2013*

The Committee on General Law reported through SEN. DOYLE of the 9th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

***AN ACT CONCERNING RECOMMENDED BEST PRACTICES FOR  
THE SAFE USE OF CELLULAR TELEPHONES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1      Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of  
2      Consumer Protection, in consultation with the Commissioner of Public  
3      Health, shall issue a notice detailing recommended best practices for  
4      the safe use of cellular mobile telephone devices. Such notice shall be  
5      posted on the Department of Consumer Protection's Internet web site.  
6      For purposes of this section, "cellular mobile telephone device" means  
7      a portable wireless telephone device that is designed to send or receive  
8      transmissions through a cellular radiotelephone service, as defined in  
9      47 CFR 22.99.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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**GL**      *Joint Favorable*

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***OFA Fiscal Note***

***State Impact:*** None

***Municipal Impact:*** None

***Explanation***

The bill results in no fiscal impact to the Department of Consumer Protection (DCP) as the agency will be able to utilize the already existing best practices for cell phone usage provided by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

***The Out Years***

***State Impact:*** None

***Municipal Impact:*** None

**OLR Bill Analysis****SB 316*****AN ACT CONCERNING RECOMMENDED BEST PRACTICES FOR THE SAFE USE OF CELLULAR TELEPHONES.*****SUMMARY:**

This bill requires the Department of Consumer Protection (DCP) commissioner, in consultation with the public health commissioner, to issue a notice detailing the recommended best practices for the safe use of cell phones. It defines a cell phone as a portable wireless telephone device designed to send or receive transmissions through cellular radiotelephone service, as defined in federal regulations (47 CFR 22.99). The notice must be posted on the DCP website.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

General Law Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 16      Nay 2      (03/12/2013)